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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ELECTRONIC CITIZEN'S FORUM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) There shall be established an
2 electronic Citizen's Forum for the purpose of receiving suggestions
3 from citizens regarding ways to improve the services of state
4 government. The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall
5 establish and maintain said forum on the Internet website of the
6 Department of Consumer Protection to ensure that it is easily available
7 to the public at all times in an electronic location. Said forum shall
8 include: (1) A means for citizens to provide, in electronic format, ideas
9 or suggestions for improving the services of state government; (2) a
10 process to ensure citizen's suggestions are forwarded to the proper
11 department, agency, board or commission; and (3) a mechanism that
12 allows a citizen to file a suggestion anonymously. A submittal to said
13 forum shall not be subject to disclosure under the provisions of chapter
14 14 of the general statutes. The commissioner shall report annually to
15 the Governor on the operation of the forum, in such manner as the
16 Governor may require.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]